

# Are you a disciple?



Discipleship for what's NEXT





# Call to make disciples

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- **Matt 28:18-20** And Jesus came and said to them, “**All authority** in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make **disciples** of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, **teaching them to observe** all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”
- **Luk 6:40** A disciple is not above his teacher, but everyone when he is fully trained will **be like** his teacher.



# Requirements of a disciple

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- **Matt 16:24-25** Then Jesus told his disciples, “If anyone would **come after me**, let him **deny himself** and **take up his cross** and **follow me**. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will find it.





# Deny himself

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- **Luke 14:26** If anyone comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters—yes, even their own life—such a person cannot be my disciple.



# Take up the cross

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- **Luk 14:27** Whoever does not **bear his own cross** and come after me cannot be my disciple.
- **Luk 9:23** And he said to all, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and **take up his cross daily** and follow me.





# Following Jesus

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- **1 Cor 11:1** **Imitate** me, just as I also *imitate* Christ.
- **2 Tim 3:10** But you have **carefully followed** my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,
- **1 Thess 1:6** And you became **followers** of us and of the Lord, having received the word in much affliction, with joy of the Holy Spirit,



# Following through learning

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- **Eph 4:17** With the Lord's authority I say this: Live no longer as the Gentiles do, for they are hopelessly confused. <sup>18</sup> Their minds are full of darkness... <sup>20</sup> But that isn't what you **learned about Christ**. <sup>21</sup> Since you have heard about Jesus and have learned the truth that comes from him, <sup>22</sup> throw off your old sinful nature and your former way of life,





# Staying in the Word

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- **John 8:31-32** So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you **abide in my word**, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”





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- ***Bottle-fed rather than self-feeding***
  - ***Prayers never change***
  - ***Interest in getting rather than giving***
  - ***Interest in gifts rather than fruit***
  - ***Worship an event rather than a way of life***
  - ***Self-controlled rather than Spirit-controlled***
  - ***Lack of spiritual mentors***
  - ***More influenced by culture than by Christ***